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Federal Communications Commission 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street SW Washington DC 20554

Attn: Media Bureau

Re: REQUEST FOR EXEMPTION FORM COMMISSION'S CLOSED CAPTIONING RULES

The Christian Angler Outdoors Television Show, a subsidiary of Anglers for Christ Ministries, Inc., submits this petition requesting exemption from the closed captioning requirements under Section 79.1 of the Commission's rules, as compliance at this time would create an undue burden on the ministry.

We began airing January, 2005 and operate solely on contributions; to date we do not have a base of continued contributors. We are also trying to obtain advertisers but this is a slow process, and though there has been considerable interest, we have been unable to sign any as of now.

We hope to obtain closed caption sponsorship within the next fiscal year, which will enable us to provide this service beginning January 2007.

I am enclosing a copy of our latest bank statement which shows our limited funds at this time.

In conclusion, we are filing at this petition at this late date because we were unaware that this regulation had to be implemented by January 1. 2006 and was notified of the regulation by our program provider in September.

Sincerely,

Charles A. "Tony" Sellars, CEO

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Anglers for Christ Ministries, Inc.

www.christiananglertv.com

a subsidary of Anglers for Christ Ministries, Inc.- a 501c3 non profit organization 2224 Fish Hatchery Rd. Morristown, TN 37813 423/581-6326

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Hamblen County Bank Operations Center P.O. Box 1120 Greeneville, TN 37744-1120



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Anglers for Christ Ministries Inc 2224 Fish Hatchery Rd Morristown TN 37813-2725

Please note: we never ask for personal or account information over the phone. Never give out personal information over the phone, or in response to emails.

### CHECKING ACCOUNT

7 Chec Service Ch	mmber 2128749 Balance 32.61 Disits/Credits 710.00 Eks/Debits 686.61	Days in the statement period 32 Average Ledger 61.72 Current Balance 56.00
	Deposits	and Additions
Date	Description	Amount
9/02	Deposit	75.00
9/16	Deposit	600.00
9/30	Deposit	35.00
	Checks ar	d Withdrawals
Date	Description	Amount
9/06	DBT CRD 1103 09/05/05 0005312	0 9.98
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	POINT ROBERTSWA	
9/07	ECK1512401 VERIZON WIRELESS	75.90
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9/12	DBT CRD 0747 09/09/05 000531	9.98
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CGB-CC-0005



A subsidiary of Anglers for Christ Ministries, Inc.

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January 6, 2006 Attn: Secretary's Office Amelia Brown 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street SW Washington, DC 20554

RE: Case identifier CGB-CC-0005

This is in response to your correspondence dated 12/19/05 regarding Section 79.1 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. and 79.1, request for exemption of closed captioning of The Christian Angler Outdoors Television Show. The Christian Angler Outdoors is a faith based outdoor show consisting of outdoor segments along with a segment hosted by kids called, Reel Kids in the Outdoors. This program is produced in house by Anglers for Christ Ministries, Inc., a 501c3 non profit organization.

Enclosed is the additional documentation and information you requested.

In 2005 we received a total of \$4,841.00 from contributions (see attachments). This was our total income to cover production costs, travel expenses and over all ministry daily functions. Also enclosed is an expense sheet for 2005. We worked very hard and were only able to sign product sponsorships and no cash sponsors. The only way we are able to air this show is our network is gracious enough to air with no airtime charges and our production and editing is done in house with a volunteer staff. At this time we have only obtained \$500.00 contributions for 2006. The additional cost for 2005 were absorbed by our personal household and these funds have now been exhausted. It would also be necessary for us to send our program to outside sources for closed captioning. We have been given an estimate of \$300.00 per episode for closed captioning. This would result in an additional cost of \$3,900.00 (13x \$300.00=\$3,900.00).

We feel that if we are given a timely exemption, maybe until 2007, we should have the time to contract sponsorship for our captioning. We began airing in January 2005 and were not notified of this ruling until late September by our programmer. We feel at this time the captioning would create an undue burden and possibly cause us to stop production.

Sincerely,

Tony Sellars

Anglers for Christ Ministries, Inc.

Truz Sellono

Founder & CEO

The Christian Angler Outdoors Television Show

Host & Exec. Producer

# Griffith Business & Tax Service

1005 WEST 1<sup>ST</sup> NORTH ST. MORRISTOWN, TN 37814 (423) 317-9990 Fax (423) 317-9990

January 11, 2006

To the Board of Directors of Anglers for Christ Ministries, Inc. 2224 Fish Hatchery Rd. Morristown, TN 37813

I have compiled the accompanying statement of Contributions and Expenses of Anglers for Christ Ministries, Inc. as of December 31, 2005 in accordance with standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

A compilation is limited to the presentation in the form of financial statements information that is the representations of the management of Anglers for Christ Ministries, Inc. I have not audited or reviewed the accompanying statement and, accordingly, do not express an opinion or any other form of assurance on it.

Tom Griffith, CE

# Anglers for Christ Ministries Statement of Contributions and Expenses For the Year Ended December 31, 2005

Contributions See Note 1	4,841.00
General & Administrative Expenses	
See Note 2	
Clothing	200.00
Equipment	1,375.00
Food	610.00
Gas	1,775.00
Internet Access	270.00
Lodging	1,000.00
Repairs & Maintenance	1,125.00
Tape Dubbing	325.00
Telephone	1,800.00
Utilities	2,100.00
Website	358.00
Total Expenses	10,938.00
Excess expenses over contributions Note 3	(6,097.00)

# Anglers for Christ Ministries Notes to Statement of Contributions and Expenses: For the Year Ended December 31, 2005

### Note 1

See enclosed list of contributors and amounts contributed.

### Note 2

See enclosed statement of expenses by city where the television programs were filmed.

### Note 3

The difference between contributions and expenses received was absorbed by Tony and Sharon Sellars, and will be deducted on their personal income tax return.

## **Anglers for Christ Ministries 2005**

Donor/Business	City	State/ Province	Date	Amount
Oak Ridge Alliance Church	Oak Ridge	TN	02/13/2005	\$150
Frank Martin	Morristown	TN	02/28/2005	\$1,000
Don Rose	Dandridge	TN	03/05/2005	\$100
First Baptist	White Pine	TN	03/15/2005	\$200
Manley Church	Morristown	TN	03/15/2005	\$500
Tinsley-Bible Drug Store	Dandridge	TN	03/22/2005	\$1,000
Frank Martin	Morristown	TN	07/06/2005	\$523
Tom Griffith	Morristown	TN	09/13/2005	\$100
Barnards Grove Church	Bean Station	TN	11/03/2005	\$292
Frank Martin	Morristown	TN	11/16/2005	\$346
Chuck & Theresa Perry	Morristown	TN	11/21/2005	\$100
Mel & Carol Burnette	Morristown	TN	11/21/2005	\$150
Stan Porter	Kodak	TN	11/30/2005	\$30
Kawanis Club	Morristown	TN	12/30/2005	\$250
Jerry Blaylock	Morristown	TN	12/30/2005	\$100
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Total			<u> </u>	\$4,841

# AFC & Christian Angler Expenses

City Gas Food Lodging Equip. Ve. Maint. Clothing Electric Phone Internet Website Tape Dubs TOTAL \$1,575 \$1,575 \$1,575 \$1,555 \$200 \$2,100 \$1,800 \$2,70 \$288 \$288 \$325 \$10,988

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									\$0	\$20	\$75	Kingston, TN	
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									\$0	\$25	\$75	Kingsport,TN	/ Lake #5
									\$250	\$80	\$275	Searcy,AR	
									\$300	\$125	\$350	Orlando, FL	Lake Toho #1,#2,#3

January 24, 2006 Attn: Secretary's Office Amelia Brown 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street SW Washington, DC 20554

RE: Case identifier CGB-CC-0005/ Affidavit

GENERAL AFFIDAVIT

State of Tennessee County of Hamblen

**BEFORE ME**, the undersigned Notary, Tom Griffith, Phd., on this 24th day of January, 2006, personally appeared Tony Sellars, known to me to be a credible person and of lawful age, who being by me first duly sworn, on his oath, deposes and says:

I Tony Sellars, do swear that the facts stated in the previous filings dated January 6, 2006 and before- Case identifier CGB-CC-0005 to be true and lawful to the best of my knowledge.

Tony Sellars/

2224 Fish Hatchery Rd.

Morristown, TN 37813

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 24TH day of NNIARY, 2006.

Tom Griffith

**NOTARY PUBLIC** 

My commission expires:

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